

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 USUN N 03857 091916Z

67

ACTION IO-03

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-01 INR-10 L-02

NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-01 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-14

USIA-04 AF-04 ARA-10 EA-07 EUR-10 NEA-06 ACDA-10

DRC-01 /098 W

----- 060141

R 091816Z OCT 74

FM USMISSION USUN NY

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6150

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 3857

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UNGA, SHUM

SUBJ: 29TH GA--THIRD COMMITTEE, RESOLUTION ON DENIAL OF
HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE

REF: USUN 3716

1. SUMMARY. UK AND NETHERLANDS DELS HAVE TABLED PROCEDURAL RES WHEREBY ISSUE OF REPORTED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE WILL BE SUBMITTED TO NEXT SESSION OF COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (HRC), WHICH IT BELONGS IN ANY CASE. THIS IS EFFORT TO PREEMPT INITIATIVE FROM SOVIET BLOC WHICH IS SEEKING THIRD WORLD SPONSORSHIP FOR RES VIOLENTLY DENOUNCING CHILE, BUT SIGNIFICANTLY OMITTING REFERENCE TO UN STUDY OF ACTUAL SITUATION THERE. USUN REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT UK/NETHERLANDS RES. END SUMMARY

2. REP OF INDIA HAS SHOWN US COPY OF RES AUTHORED BY SOVIET BLOC WHICH VIOLENTLY DENOUNCES CHILEAN JUNTA FOR VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND CALLS UPON THE SYG TO TAKE STEPS TO
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 USUN N 03857 091916Z

ASSURE THAT GOC ABIDES BY UN DECISION ON THIS MATTER. IT

SIGNIFICANTLY OMITTS PROVISION FOR UN BODY TO STUDY ACTUAL SITUATION THERE. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN COPY OF THIS STUDY. INDIAN REP FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT SOVIET STRATEGY IS TO GET AS MANY THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE TO COSPONSOR WITH CLEAR IMPLICATION THAT SOVIET BLOC COUNTRIES WILL ATTEMPT TO HIDE BEHIND THEM.

3. WE HAVE CONSULTED WITH CHILE'S DEPUTY PERMREP, JAMES HOLGER, WHO THOROUGHLY EXPERIENCED IN UN MATTERS. HE AT FIRST SHARED DIEZ'S VIEWS, REPORTED REFTEL, THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR CHILE TO CONFRONT DENUNCIATORY SOVIET BLOC RESOLUTION THAN TO GO ALONG WITH UK/NETHERLANDS APPROACH (REFTEL) WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT CHILE ACCEPTS RECOMMENDATION THAT "THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT ITS 31ST SESSION STUDY THE REPORTED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE . . ." THEN WE EXPLAINED THAT PRESENT SOVIET STRATEGY IS TO GET BEHIND AS MANY THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE SO THAT IN STRIKING BACK AT SOVIET BLOC CHILE WOULD BE STRIKING AT LEFT-WING OF THIRD WORLD AS WELL. HOLGER HIMSELF WAS CONCERNED THAT SOVIETS MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET SUPPORT FROM SUCH COUNTRIES AS INDIA, PAKISTAN, IRAQ, ALGERIA, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN. HE THOUGHT THEREFORE THAT THIS SOVIET STRATEGY, IF SUCCESSFUL, MIGHT CAUSE HIS GOVERNMENT TO RETHINK ITS POSITION.

4. NETHERLANDS REP INFORMED US TODAY THAT IN ORDER TO PRESERVE ACHIEVEMENTS WON BY SUB-COMMISSION (I.E., SOVIET REP SMIRNOV'S COSPONSORSHIP OF RES 7 ON GENERAL SUBJECT OF TORTURE AND THE PROVISION IN RES 8 FOR THE HRC TO STUDY REPORTED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN AN INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY) UK/NETHERLANDS HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR DRAFT RES, TEXT SENT REFTEL, TO SECT AND HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT, HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED FIRST, IT WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY OVER ANY OTHER RES ON SUBJECT.

5. UK/NETHERLANDS REPS HAVE ASKED US IF WE CAN SUPPORT BUT NOT COSPONSOR THEIR RES AND IF SO WOULD WE BE WILLING TO TRY TO PERSUADE CHILEANS TO ACCEPT THIS SOLUTION WHICH, AS NOTED ABOVE, THEY SEE IN BROADER TERMS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND NOT MERELY AS GIMMICK TO GET CHILE OFF LIGHTLY IN THIRD COMITE. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT US EXPERT ON SUB-COMMISSION, ALTHOUGH SOFTENING WORDING OF CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 USUN N 03857 091916Z

SUB-COMMISSION RES ON CHILE, VOTED FOR IT IN ACCEPTANCE OF FACT THAT VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE HAVE NOW BEEN SO RELIABLY ATTESTED THAT STUDY OF SITUATION BY HRC WAS DESIRABLE FOR ITS OWN SAKE AND IN LONG-TERM INTERESTS OF RETAINING POSITIVE ROLE FOR HRC AS INSTRUMENTALITY IN CONTINUING HUMAN RIGHTS STRUGGLE. EQUALLY IMPORTANT, THIS WAS PART OF DEAL FOR WHICH HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATES WON SOVIET COSPONSORSHIP OF RES ON TORTURE.

6. NETHERLANDS REP WHO TENDS TO BE MORE OUTSPOKEN ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES THAN MOST OF HIS EUROPEAN COLLEAGUES, HAS STATED THAT IF CHILE CANNOT ACCEPT DECISION OF SUB-COMMISSION WHICH IS GOING TO HRC IN FEBRUARY 1975 IN ANY CASE, THEN HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DENOUNCE ATTITUDE OF CHILEAN GOVERNMENT HIMSELF.

7. ACTION REQUESTED. USUN BELIEVES THAT UK/ NETHERLANDS DRAFT NOT ONLY REPRESENTS MOST PAINLESS WAY FOR CHILE TO HANDLE THIS PROBLEM IN THIRD COMITE BUT MOST PAINLESS WAY FOR USG AS WELL. IN BROADER VIEW AND LONGER TERM, USUN BELIEVES THAT REASONS US EXPERT IN SUB-COMMISSION VOTED FOR BOTH RESES ARE STILL VALID AND THAT THEIR ADOPTION BY HRC, WHICH IS FOREGONE CONCLUSION NO MATTER WHAT POSITION CHILE TAKES IN 29TH GA, WILL HELP TO STRENGTHEN FRAIL UN MACHINERY FOR SAFEGUARDING HUMAN RIGHTS. USUN THEREFORE REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO INFORM UK/NETHERLANDS THAT USG WILL SUPPORT THEIR RES AND THEIR STRATEGY OF PRE-EMPTING INITIATIVE IN DEBATE.
SCALI

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: HUMAN RIGHTS, COMMITTEE MEETINGS, UNGA RESOLUTIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 09 OCT 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: shawdg
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974USUNN03857
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740287-0766
From: USUN NEW YORK
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19741058/aaaabxnh.tel
Line Count: 133
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: USUN 3716
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: shawdg
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 MAY 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <28 MAY 2002 by boyleja>; APPROVED <13 MAR 2003 by shawdg>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: 29TH GA--THIRD COMMITTEE, RESOLUTION ON DENIAL OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE
TAGS: SHUM, CI, UNGA, THIRD COMMITTEE
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005